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Missing: Key to crosswalk safety

'We don't have a ... plan.' Police stats show reports of collisions involving pedestrians have increased in 2014



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As "crosswalk captains" fanned out across Halifax for the first Crosswalk Safety Awareness Day, a Dalhousie University researcher says the heavy lifting on reducing pedestrian collisions is yet to be done.

Dr. Ahsan Habib, assistant professor in the school of planning, said Wednesday that although HRM has established a policy framework on education and awareness, the real "game-changer" will be a commitment to assessing and altering poorly designed intersections and crosswalks.

"We don't have a ... plan where we do some crosswalk-safety audits of intersections,

Collisions with pedestrians

183

The number of collisions reported involving pedestrians in HRM this year, compared to 117 from Jan.-Oct. 2013.

try to identify crosswalk-safety hot spots, try to identify generally what are the good crosswalk versus bad crosswalk features," he said. "We don't see the ... engineering or planning document that tells us, these are the issues from the design point of view and these are the engineering countermeasures we should be taking."

Police announced Tuesday that William C. Lee, 74, who was hit in a crosswalk at Portland Estates Boulevard and Portland Hills Drive on Oct. 31, had succumbed to his injuries. Lee was the fourth pedestrian killed in HRM this year, say figures released Wednesday.

The city's Crosswalk Safety Advisory Committee submitted its first action plan, includ-

ing 26 recommendations, to regional council last spring. As a result, Habib noted crosswalks have been painted with zebra stripes and local police now provide monthly reports on pedestrian collisions.

However, he said police forces are still not reporting locations of accidents consistently, making it impossible to map any accident "hot spots."

"It lists five or six (location) fields on that MVA form," he said. "Sometimes they give the street name, sometimes they give intersections ... sometimes they call it, '50 metres from highway exit 5.'"

In the absence of analysis and engineering solutions, Habib said education and awareness campaigns, as well as a greater commitment to sharing the road, can help.

"Make eye contact and have some kind of attitude to co-exist — pedestrian, cyclist and motorist," he said. "If we can develop that kind of culture, that probably can make some improvements in terms of reducing crosswalk collisions."



A MARVEL-LOUS IDEA

Captain America (Dana Baker) and Spider-Man (Johnny Doull) play with Ethan Larkin, 3, during a visit to the IWK Children's Hospital on Wednesday in Halifax. The two bodybuilders have been working the past several weeks to organize the visit for sick kids. Story, page 4. JEFF HARPER/METRO



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Empty car struck

Police look to ID woman allegedly involved in hit-and-run

Officers are on the lookout for a woman allegedly involved in a hit-and-run collision earlier this fall, Halifax Regional Police said Wednesday.

Police say the woman was involved in a crash during the early evening hours of Sept. 28 at the corner of Brenton Street and Brenton Place in the downtown core.

Surveillance video shows the woman getting



The suspect in question.

HANDOUT/POLICE

into a newer-model two-door black Jeep Wrangler shortly after 5 p.m., police say, then backing into an empty parked car and damaging its hood.

The suspect then allegedly drove away without trying to contact the other vehicle's owner.

Police responded to the call about an hour and a half later.

They released photos of the suspect and her car Wednesday. She has long brown hair and was wearing a grey or purple T-shirt, along with grey capris and sneakers with pink accents at the time of the collision.

She was also carrying a large red purse, according to police. **METRO**

North Park Street

Jogger struck by vehicle going in wrong direction

The latest accident between a pedestrian and a vehicle involves a jogger and an elderly man driving in the wrong direction.

Just after 9 a.m. Wednesday, police say a woman out for a jog ran across North Park Street in an easterly direction when she collided with a vehicle.

Police say the vehicle, driven by a 76-year-old man, was going in the wrong direction in the northbound lane.

The woman suffered non-life-threatening injuries and was taken to hospital by paramedics.

The driver of the vehicle wasn't injured. **METRO**



A man in a Guy Fawkes mask addresses a crowd of people at Grand Parade during a march on Wednesday. JEFF HARPER/METRO

'Fighting for answers' as part of a movement

Million Mask March. Anonymous event highlights 1990 Clayton Miller case in Halifax



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The great-aunt of a Cape Breton teen who was found dead in a stream more than 20 years ago joined the ranks of dozens of people in Guy Fawkes masks as part of the worldwide Anonymous march in the hopes "some answers come forward" in his case.

On Wednesday, nearly 100

members and supporters of the hacktivist group Anonymous gathered in front of Province House before marching up to Barrington Street and Grand Parade as part of the "Million Mask March," which takes place across the globe on Nov. 5 to coincide with Guy Fawkes Day and bring up various social-justice issues.

Willena Schaump said she was visiting Halifax from Cape Breton to take part in the march and carried a sign with multiple pictures of her great-nephew, Clayton Miller.

"It's just to help Anonymous try to get some answers as to whatever happened to him," she said.

In 1990, 17-year-old Mil-

Not forgotten

The march also highlighted Rehtaeh Parsons, Michael Brown of Ferguson, Mo., and GMOs in food.

ler was found facedown in a stream two days after New Waterford police raided a teen party in the woods. An initial autopsy stated he died from dry drowning and a second autopsy indicated he died of exposure, but Miller's parents have said they believe their son died in police custody and his body placed in the brook.

This September, provincial

Justice Minister Lena Diab committed to a review of the case, and Schaump said she is hopeful everything will be done "honestly and above-board."

"Not too many people could go through ... what his parents went through, but they persevered and kept on fighting for answers," she said.

Ty, an Anonymous organizer at the march, said they are pushing for the police investigation into Miller's death to be reopened.

"Just because something happens and it gets pushed aside doesn't mean it's forgotten about, and we will bring those things to light," Ty said.

SIRT investigating. Woman charged with attempted murder after man stabbed in Hammonds Plains home

The RCMP have charged a 48-year-old woman with attempted murder after a man was stabbed in a Hammonds Plains home that police say the two were sharing.

Around 9 p.m. Tuesday, police were called to Fisher Drive and found the 51-year-old victim suffering from a single stab wound.

Police say the female suspect then fled to a nearby

wooded area with a knife. A police service dog was called in, along with members of Halifax Regional Police, when the woman refused to come out of the woods.

Cpl. Mark Skinner of the RCMP says the woman received a bite from the police dog while being taken into custody. Due to her injury, the province's Serious Incident Response Team is now inves-

tigating how the arrest was handled by police.

The man suffered serious injuries and was released from hospital on Wednesday.

Police won't say what the relationship is between the victim and the accused, only that the "two know each other."

"There was an argument and a stabbing ensued," Skinner said of the incident.

PHILIP CROUCHER/METRO

Court date

The accused is now being held in police custody until her court appearance Thursday.

- She is also charged with possession of a weapon dangerous to the public.

5 years in, mental health court a success: Province

Report. However, there are no plans to expand the program outside of Halifax

Nova Scotia's mental-health court is achieving its objectives five years after it was established amid pointed criticism of how the province dealt with mentally ill offenders, the justice minister said Wednesday.

Lena Metlege Diab released a 20-page report that says of the 232 adults deemed eligible to use the court from 2009 to 2013, 86 per cent had successfully completed the voluntary diversion program.

"Any time you can help an individual that has a mental disorder and also facing conflict with the law is a success," the minister told a news conference at the specially designated courtroom. "Helping 199 is definitely a success."

When the court was established in November 2009, the province found itself in the middle of a public inquiry into the 2007 death of Howard Hyde, a mentally ill man who died in a holding cell 30 hours after he was Tasered by police.



Judge Pam Williams at Thursday's mental-health court press conference in Dartmouth. JEFF HARPER/METRO

The inquiry found Hyde's death was caused by a struggle with jail guards, but it also concluded that parts of the health-care, judicial and correctional systems failed to properly deal with Hyde's mental illness, which was schizophrenia.

The mental-health court's presiding judge, Pam Williams, said the court is working well.

"It is a prime example of how collaboration, co-operation and creativity have produced great results for persons with mental-health

difficulties who find themselves in conflict with the criminal-justice system," she said.

Mental-health courts first appeared in Canada in the late 1990s. They are for people with mental disorders who come into conflict

Analysis

'Addressing the underlying issue'

Stephen Ayer, executive director of the Schizophrenia Society of Nova Scotia, said the court offers a "wraparound" approach that enables many participants to be discharged without a criminal record.

"It's addressing the underlying issue that's causing the individual to come into conflict with the law," he said. "By doing that ... they won't reoffend."

If participants fail to follow their monitored support program, then they can be returned to the regular court system.

Quoted

"It increases their well-being and it also has reduced their likelihood of reoffending."

Judge Pam Williams

with the law as a result of their mental challenges.

In Nova Scotia, the program can be offered to people who have been charged with a criminal offence handled by the provincial court, but only if the accused has a serious mental disorder that is linked to the offence.

A diagnosis for a mental illness can be made through a screening process after a referral from the regular court system. The accused must also agree to take part

in the program, admit responsibility for their actions and receive Crown consent to take part.

Unlike the adversarial approach taken in the regular court system, the mental-health court focuses on collaboration and problem solving.

The minister said the report does not constitute a formal evaluation. A more comprehensive study is expected by early next year.

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Spider-Man and Captain America bent down next to a few children as they played in the white sand with trucks and toys, glittery lights in the shape of parachutes and blimps dangling from the ceiling.

On Wednesday, bodybuilders Johnny Doull and Dana Baker donned superhero costumes in a visit to the colourful playroom at the IWK Health Centre for kids who spent the night in hospital or their siblings who visit.

"We wanted to get in here and put smiles on the kids' faces if possible — kind of give back any way we could," said Doull (Spider-Man), who is from Prince Edward Island.

Baker, from Halifax, said both men compete nationally and have been hoping to get into the IWK for the past few months.

"It's something that we can do physically with our size, so might as well put it to use," Baker (Captain America) said with a smile.

Doull said they do "very, very well" bodybuilding and



Spider-Man (Johnny Doull) and Captain America (Dana Baker) talk with Nevaeh Loates, 9, during a visit to the IWK Children's Hospital on Wednesday.

JEFF HARPER/METRO

wanted to give back. He said they collected donations from various bodybuilding and physique groups who

wanted to participate in the visit somehow.

Spidey and Captain America spent time chatting and taking pictures with the children, including three-year-old Ethan Larkin who quietly played alongside the superheroes in the sandbox and said it was "good" to see Spider-Man especially — but he'd also like to see Batman.

The duo presented the IWK with a \$1,300 donation, which they said will go specifically to Child Life Services.

Chantal LeBlanc, the department's co-ordinator, said the funds help them do things like buy special-needs toys or supplies for the play space and the outside play program.

"Having special visitors

come brings joy to the kids," LeBlanc said. "(It) minimizes that kind of scary part about being in the hospital."

Doull said they tried to prepare themselves for seeing kids that might be in pain. While some looked as though they could be in pain, Baker said most were energetic and he was glad to see they were "in good hands."

They also heard from people who were in the IWK as children and remembered how much it meant to have special guests come in, Baker said.

"It's a huge impact and it's definitely a big impact on part of their life being in here," said Baker.

"And ours as well," Doull said.

Super quote

"We just want to make sure ... the kids are having the best experience they can."

Dana Baker (Captain America)

Second pin found in Halloween candy

There has been a second report of tampered Halloween candy in the Halifax area.

Halifax RCMP spokesman Cpl. Greg Church said officers were called to Astral Drive Junior High in Cole Harbour on Monday around 11 a.m. after a female student found a sewing pin as she attempted to

eat the candy while walking down a hall with friends.

Police say the student was not injured.

"This is extremely concerning," Church said Wednesday.

The Mounties say the student received the candy bar while trick-or-treating in the Astral Drive and Colby

South area on Halloween, the same spot where another girl had picked up candy with a one-inch pin lodged inside.

Ariane Huot, 14, told her mother she found the pin on Sunday when she broke open a Wunderbar.

Church said both investigations are continuing

and police are "absolutely" concentrating efforts in the Cole Harbour neighbourhood, as well as using other ways to investigate how the wrappers were "compromised."

Although some people online have questioned whether these cases could be hoaxes, Church said the

RCMP are taking both reports seriously.

"We feel that both these investigations are very legitimate and we're very concerned," Church said.

Police are reminding families to check any Halloween treats they still have for signs of tampering.

HALEY RYAN/METRO

And yet another case?

Police in Cape Breton are investigating after a sewing needle was also discovered by a family in North Sydney on Monday when one of them bit into a chocolate bar.

'Flip-flop' on flavoured tobacco leads to outcry

Ban goes up in vapour. Province backs off from outlawing juice used in e-cigarettes, committee member says they're just 'listening to the people'

Anti-tobacco advocates expressed shock and confusion after the Nova Scotia government decided Wednesday to back down on its proposal to ban flavoured tobacco in legislation that aims to regulate e-cigarettes.

Kelly Cull of the Nova Scotia division of the Canadian Cancer Society said she wished she had a better understanding of the government's rationale to amend the legislation, given that scientific studies have demonstrated that flavoured tobacco is popular among youth.

"The flip-flop on this is astonishing," said Cull.

The government also no longer wants to prohibit the juice used in e-cigarettes, as was proposed under the legislation when it was introduced nearly two weeks ago.

The changes were made after some people and businesses spoke out at a legislature committee earlier this week, saying the proposed changes had unintended consequences. Some of those who appeared before the committee said



A user indulges in an e-cigarette. Anti-tobacco advocates are shocked and confused after the province decided on Wednesday to back down on its proposal to ban flavoured tobacco. GETTY IMAGES

e-cigarettes helped them quit smoking.

"What we are doing is listening to the people," said Margaret Miller, a Liberal member of the law amendments committee.

Dave Wilson, an NDP member on the committee, said the government's reversal on flavoured tobacco was a "big win" for the tobacco industry. He said the issue raised by people at the hearings earlier this week was about the need to have an exemption for the juice used in e-cigarettes — not remove the proposed ban on flavoured tobacco.

"Many talked in favour of banning flavoured tobacco, that wasn't the issue," Wilson

Not allowed

The legislation would still outlaw the use of water pipes such as hookahs and e-cigarettes in indoor public places. It would also prohibit stores from selling e-cigarettes to those under 19, and retailers would also not be allowed to display, advertise or promote the devices, effectively treating them like regular cigarettes.

said. "I'm perplexed on why the government is backtracking on this legislation."

When he introduced the bill, Health Minister Leo Glavin

ine said steps such as a ban on flavoured tobacco were needed to address evidence that the product poses a health risk, especially to young people.

The government said it will conduct public consultations within a year that will focus on products and flavours targeted at youth. As a result, any changes in the proposed law would not take effect until May 31.

Regardless, the legislation will ensure that youth don't have access to those products, Glavine said.

"While we are consulting we will have this framed so that we make sure that the youth of our province do not have access to flavoured tobacco products," he said. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

Chronicle Herald. Union asking members of public to help protest layoffs

The union representing 20 Chronicle Herald reporters who have received layoff notices is asking members of the public for support.

The Halifax Typographical Union (HTU) states in a release that members dressed in black will gather for 15 minutes outside the Herald building on Joseph Howe Drive on Thursday afternoon "as a sign of solidarity."

The release states that Herald management announced on Oct. 31 that 20 newsroom members would be laid off in 45 days. In combination with early retirement packages and other changes, the unionized newsroom staff will be reduced from 83 to 56.

"Job losses will result in significant holes in the local



The Chronicle Herald sign is shown outside its Halifax office. METRO FILE

news our members are proud to deliver every day," states HTU local president Ingrid Bulmer in the release.

The union is asking readers to contact Herald management to protest the layoffs and to support Herald staff through the use of #PaperCutsHurt and #LocalNews on Twitter. **METRO**

Lower Sackville. Man faces charges after stolen goods discovered at pawn shop

A Bedford man is facing more than 45 charges after police say they found stolen goods at a Lower Sackville pawn shop.

A release from Halifax RCMP states that members of the Street Crime Enforcement Unit carried out a search warrant at Cash Traders Pawn Shop on Sept. 19. The search was part of an ongoing investigation into recent break-and-enters in Lower Sackville.

According to the release, officers seized stolen jewelry and electronics as well as a loaded revolver, three shotguns, two rifles, a conducted energy weapon and two canisters of bear spray.

Ghasson Najib Jason el Chater, 52, is facing charges that include firearm trafficking, weapons possession and possession of property obtained by crime. **METRO**

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Hal-Con joins the ranks of elite comic conventions

Growing. Largest sci-fi and gaming convention in Atlantic Canada sells out before opening day



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Days before the doors opened for the fifth annual Hal-Con, organizers said they'd reached a key milestone in the event's growth.

"We are completely sold out as of about 20 minutes ago," said communications director Joni Crocker around noon on Wednesday. "This is the first year we've been sold out before the show. We're excited."

The 2014 celebration of sci-fi, fantasy and all things nerdy gets underway Friday, kicking



Posing for a photo prior to last year's Hal-Con are Alexandria Bennett as Sailor Moon and Scott Aucoin as a stormtrooper. JEFF HARPER/METRO

off a weekend extravaganza of book signings, celebrity appearances, seminars and panel discussions of everything from "Canadian Superhero Renaissance" to "Zombies and You:

Surviving the Undead."

Hal-Con organizers learned a tough lesson about popularity last year, when the bulk of day-pass holders showed up on Saturday. The World Trade and

Convention Centre reached capacity around noon, and some ticket holders were eventually turned away without ever getting in.

This year, Crocker said day

At a glance

Celebrity guests at this year's Hal-Con:

- Kristian Nairn (Game of Thrones); Morena Baccarin (Serenity, Firefly); Mark Sheppard (Doctor Who, Supernatural); Michelle Forbes (Star Trek, Battlestar Galactica).

able to get in an hour before the general public," she said. "We're hoping that will also take 644 people out of the line-up, so that should make that move a little quicker."

In addition to the indoor entertainment, Crocker said this year's Hal-Con is taking over the Grand Parade for some free outdoor festivities, including giant board games and a 500-person Epic Light Sabre Battle on Friday night.

Crocker attributed Hal-Con's meteoric growth to the increasing popularity of nerd culture, citing the mainstream success of TV shows and movies based on graphic novels.

"It's becoming a little more acceptable to be a geek," she said, adding that conventions are just a fun break from the daily grind.

"Being a grown-up's hard, so sometimes it's fun to get to be a kid again."

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Fire destroys barn used for medical marijuana

No injuries.

Cause of the blaze remains unknown

A fire chief in Nova Scotia says a barn destroyed by fire on Tuesday housed medical marijuana.

Port Williams fire chief Lionel Rhynard says a call came in around 10 p.m. reporting that the 20-by-60-foot barn, located on Church Street in Port Williams, was on fire.

A sign at the end of the driveway said the property was called Hidden Hollow Farm.

The fire marshal's office and Kings RCMP will be investigating the cause of the blaze.

Several RCMP officers were at the scene Wednesday, and a police dog and handler were going through a nearby field.

"All were called there in relation to the fire investigation," said Const. Kelli Gaudet



The barn engulfed in flames Tuesday night. CONTRIBUTED

with the Kings RCMP.

Flames were shooting from the roof of the barn when firefighters arrived, but they were able to quickly knock back the blaze, Rhynard said. By 11:30 p.m., firefighters were putting out small fires and mopping up.

"When we arrived, it was a working fire. There were

flames coming through the roof; it was fully involved," Rhynard said. "We had a good, quick knockdown of the fire."

All that remained of the structure were the metal exterior walls.

"The barn's a complete loss," he said.

No one was injured in the blaze. **KINGS COUNTY REGISTER**



Come and go through new doors

Passengers disembark from a Halifax Transit ferry through a new entrance/exit at the Dartmouth Terminal on Wednesday. The entrance was part of a retrofit of the terminal. **JEFF HARPER/METRO**

Funding scholarships

NSCAD lands \$150K donation from Scotiabank

NSCAD University in Halifax has received a \$150,000

donation from Scotiabank that will fund scholarships for students.

The donation was announced Wednesday during a student awards reception and on the birthday of university founder Anna Leonowens.

"Supporting the arts is something that is very important to us at Scotiabank, and we truly believe we get more from the arts than we could ever give," says Gordon Brost, Scotiabank's district vice-president, in a statement. **METRO**

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Two MPs kicked out of caucus over charges of misconduct

Parliament Hill.

Allegations being taken seriously amid last week's explosion of stories about Jian Ghomeshi

Liberal Leader Justin Trudeau has expelled two MPs — Scott Andrews and Massimo Pacetti — over allegations of “personal misconduct” with two members of Parliament.

Sources tell Torstar News Service the complainants are female MPs from the New Democratic Party. Liberals are asking the Commons Speaker to conduct an investigation into a controversy described as “unprecedented.” Both accused MPs deny the charges.

At a news conference Wednesday afternoon, Trudeau called the allegations “serious” but said little to shed light on the matter.

“Persons in authority have a duty to act when such allega-

tions are made,” he said.

The expulsions plunge Parliament Hill into the centre of the widening national discussion over sexual assault, which began last week with the firing of CBC host Jian Ghomeshi.

Andrews, first elected in 2008 in the Newfoundland riding of Avalon, is married with a young son. Pacetti, first elected in the Montreal riding of Saint-Léonard/Saint-Michel in 2002, is married with two children.

The Liberal party whip, Judy Foote, outlined the charges in a letter to Commons Speaker Andrew Scheer, in which she says that high-level meetings took place on Oct. 29 and 30 to discuss the allegations.

“To my knowledge, there is no precedent or established process for dealing with a situation such as this. The House of Commons has a process for administration of misconduct in the workplace, but there is no established process for complaints between members,” Foote writes. She also asks that the Speaker set up such a process. **TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE**



Liberal Leader Justin Trudeau speaks at a news conference on Parliament Hill in Ottawa on Wednesday.
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Scott Andrews
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Massimo Pacetti
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Canada to ease restrictions on flying drones



Mark Langille stands above one of his UAVs. His company Flitelab is one of the largest drone providers in Nova Scotia. HELEN PIKE/METRO IN CALGARY

Canada is flying high above other countries with its newest commercial drone-use policies.

Transport Canada announced Wednesday that unmanned aerial vehicles (UAVs) under two kilograms for commercial or hobby purposes will soon no longer require a Special Flight Operations Certificate.

Though old regulations are still in place requiring all commercial operators, no matter the weight of the craft, to get clearance from Transport Canada, a spokesperson told Metro the new regulation would

mean lighter aircraft could take off without the paperwork.

“I think it’s really encouraging from (a) research and industry perspective,” said Chris Hugenholtz of the University of Calgary, who uses drones in his research.

Previously, commercial operators were required to send Transport Canada detailed paperwork, including specific flight plans. The paperwork took 21 days to process, sometimes longer if the region they applied to was not equipped for the volume of documents.

Quoted

“I think Canada has just become an experiment in the world by doing this. A lot of people are going to be watching what Canada does.... This could launch Canada into being a leader in the world in integrating these devices into commerce.”

Matt Waite, founder of the Drone Journalism Lab

In the United States commercial drones are still under strict regulation. According to Matt Waite, professor at the University of Nebraska and founder of the Drone Journal-

ism Lab, no commercial flights are permitted unless they fall under an exemption Hollywood arranged with the Federal Aviation Administration.

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Court filings

Ghomeshi's lawsuit without merit: CBC

A \$55-million lawsuit filed by former CBC radio host Jian Ghomeshi should be thrown out because it is without merit and an abuse of process, the broadcaster argued in court filings Wednesday.

In a motion to Ontario

Superior Court, the CBC maintains Ghomeshi's allegation of defamation and breach of confidence is frivolous or vexatious.

The CBC argues two points: Ghomeshi has no right to sue and that, in any event, he has no grounds to sue. The broadcaster notes that Ghomeshi, 47, was a unionized employee and his only recourse is via the established grievance procedure. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

House of Commons

Convicted MP Dean Del Mastro resigns seat

Disgraced Peterborough MP Dean Del Mastro abruptly resigned his House of Commons seat Wednesday, less than a week after a judge found him guilty on three counts of violating the Canada Elections Act.

Del Mastro, a former parliamentary secretary to Prime Minister Stephen Harper, was convicted of exceeding spending limits during the 2008 election, as well as failing to report a personal contribution of \$21,000 to his own campaign and submitting a falsified document.

He made it clear he was stepping down in order to prevent embarrassment and division within the Conservative ranks. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

Forced marriages

Feds brace for backlash against immigration rules

The Harper government is bracing for international backlash to its proposed new law that would ban people in polygamous and forced marriages from immigrating to Canada, The Canadian Press has learned.

Citizenship and Immigration Minister Chris Alexander announced the legislation Wednesday, calling such practices “incompatible with Canadian values.”

If it becomes law, the bill would eliminate early and forced marriages from Canada's immigration system and the country as a whole, said Alexander. The measures would not include arranged marriages. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**



Algerian passenger car derailed, kills one

Rescue workers at the scene of a rail crash in Algiers, Algeria, on Wednesday. Officials say a passenger train has derailed near the downtown Algiers' train station, killing one person and wounding 65, including one in serious condition. The state news agency says the commuter train was moving to another track to make way for the express Algiers-Oran train when its first three cars jumped the rails early Wednesday morning.

SEBASTIAN SCHEINER/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

No pee zone. Dutch government urges people not to urinate on palace

If you're caught short on Amsterdam's historic Dam Square, the Dutch government has a message for you: don't pee on the palace.

The Dutch royal family uses the stately Royal Palace in downtown Amsterdam as a working palace, not a residence. But the building's dark arches provide a favoured spot for urination, often at night, out of sight of police who regularly patrol the palace vicinity.

After a multimillion-euro renovation ended in late 2011, people began urinating against the palace's sandstone facade. That prompted authorities to put up a fence.

But the Interior Ministry

on Wednesday called the fence "unworthy" of the historic location. It is now installing lights and movement sensors to deter people from relieving themselves. The government also warned that peeing in public is punishable by a 140-euro (\$175 US) fine.

If those measures don't work, authorities are considering installing a urinal near the palace that rises from the ground at night and sinks below the sidewalk in the day.

Other possible moves include a raised set of steps featuring a pop-up fence or fine mesh screens to block off access to the arches after dark.

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Demonstrators wear Anonymous masks bearing the likeness of Guy Fawkes during a protest rally outside the Royal Palace in Amsterdam, Netherlands, on Wednesday. PETER DEJONG/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Utah

Gun-wielding teacher fined

A Utah schoolteacher whose gun accidentally went off in an elementary-school bathroom agreed Wednesday to pay a fine and take a firearm-safety class as part of a plea deal.

Michelle Montgomery has already paid \$200 to replace a toilet that exploded when her handgun discharged in the faculty bathroom on Sept. 11. She pleaded no contest Wednesday to a misdemeanor charge of illegal discharge of a gun. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Norway

State intel says terror attack likely

Norwegian intelligence authorities said Wednesday that the Nordic country will "likely" be threatened by or hit with an act of terror in the next 12 months.

The Joint Counter Terror Center says extremists from the Islamic State of Iraq and the Levant, among others, have called for terror acts against countries in the U.S.-led alliance against the group. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Hamas van attack kills 1, wounds 13

Jerusalem. Second violent incident in two weeks reawakens fears that simmering Israeli-Palestinian tensions will boil over



Israeli police stand guard as ultra-Orthodox Jews look at the scene of an attack in east Jerusalem Wednesday. A Palestinian man drove his car into a crowded train platform and then attacked people with an iron bar, killing one person and injuring 13 before he was shot dead. SEBASTIAN SCHEINER/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

A Hamas militant slammed a minivan into a crowd waiting for a train Wednesday in Jerusalem, killing one person and wounding 13 in an attack that raised fears of worsening violence after months of simmering tensions.

Police identified the van's driver — who was killed by police — as Ibrahim al-Akari, a 38-year-old Palestinian.

Hamas praised the van attack as a defence of the mosque, which is part of a complex in the city's most sensitive and sacred site: the compound known to Muslims as the Noble Sanctuary and to Jews as the Temple Mount.

It also injected new religious fervour into a wave of unrest fuelled by failed peace efforts and stepped-up Jewish settlement construction in the east.

The violence spilled over to the West Bank later Wednesday when a Palestinian motorist drove into a group of soldiers, wounding three in a suspected attack, the Israeli military said.

Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu blamed the

Jerusalem attack on incitement stemming from Palestinian President Mahmoud Abbas and "his Hamas partners," a reference to a unity government led by Abbas and backed by the Islamic militant group.

"We are in a prolonged battle in Jerusalem. I have no doubt we will win. We are deploying all the necessary forces to restore calm and security to all parts of the city but it may certainly be a prolonged struggle," he said. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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A new chapter for Indigo Books

Turning the page.

CEO Heather Reisman is looking to turn things around by opening new stores and branching out into toys to boost sales

Despite closing three of its largest Toronto stores this year, the CEO of Indigo Books and Music Inc. says the company is scouting new locations.

"We are actively looking in a couple of markets," chief executive Heather Reisman told analysts during a conference call Wednesday.

The company now has four fewer superstores and two fewer smaller-format stores in its latest quarter, compared to a year ago.

It once operated 95 superstores under the banner Chap-

Toy story

The Toronto-based company isn't forecasting any bestselling book titles that will boost sales dramatically during the Christmas holiday period but said its lineup of toys, like those from the popular Disney movie *Frozen*, have helped increase revenues.

- Sales at its two American Girl doll specialty boutiques that opened in the second quarter also boosted revenue, while sales at a third store location launched recently in Ottawa has exceeded targets, said Reisman.

ters and Indigo, and 131 small-format stores under Coles, Indigospirit, SmithBooks and The Book Company.

Reisman didn't divulge where it may be looking to expand, saying only that the country's largest book, gift and specialty toy retailer is encouraged by results from the second quarter, which recorded double-digit growth across its lifestyle, paper, toys and electronics divisions, as well as its core trade book business.

Indigo reported after markets closed Tuesday that it has narrowed its second-quarter loss to \$8.5 million, boosted by higher revenues and improved margins.

The loss amounted to 33 cents per diluted share, compared with a loss of \$10.1 million, or 39 cents, in the same period a year earlier.

Strong sales helped push revenues to \$189 million for the 13-week period ending Sept. 27. That's up about five per cent from \$179.4 million year over year.

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Higher prices at Tim's?! That'll jolt you awake

Are you ready to pay more for your morning cup of coffee? Executives at Tim Hortons Inc. are hinting that a price hike could be on the way in 2015 as they respond to the soaring value of next year's crop of beans. Chief financial officer Cynthia Devine told analysts that bean prices are a factor that Tim Hortons will "need to look at" with its franchisees. While she stopped short of saying higher coffee prices at the restaurant chain are a certainty, she said Tim Hortons would need to determine "what actions may be necessary" at its stores.

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Torstar Corp. Toronto Star plans to scrap its digital paywall, launch tablet app

Torstar Corp. says it plans to tear down the digital paywall at the country's largest newspaper, the Toronto Star, as it focuses on developing a new tablet app to be launched next year.

The owner of the Toronto Star and other publications is switching gears in its digital strategy of delivering content across multiple platforms — a move it's betting will attract more readers and bring nation-

al advertisers back into the fold.

Along with the Toronto Star, Torstar publishes the Hamilton Spectator, Waterloo Region Record, the Guelph Mercury and more than 100 community newspapers in Ontario. In addition, Torstar owns Free Daily News Group Inc., which publishes the English-language Metro newspapers in several Canadian cities.

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CANADIAN WINTER: SCARIER THAN ANY HBO SHOW

I'm suffering from Post-Traumatic Snow Disorder.

In the past I embraced the Canadian winter as fervently as I embraced my own torso while waiting for the bus in January. I've been quick to argue that cold winds in the streets and cold toes under the sheets are just part of living here in the Land of Always Winter.

But not anymore. Not after last year. Not after The Four Snowmen of the Icepocalypse descended upon the country and took our joy. (The four Snowmen are Blizzard, Hailstone, Frigidity and Dry Skin.)

As you'll recall, last year's winter lasted for 14 months in what we all hoped and prayed was a one-time, tie-in promotion for the movie Frozen.

But early signs for 2014-15 aren't good. The Maritimes already had its first taste of both school cancellations and



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power outages, forcing parents and their children to talk with each other in person (shudder).

And in Ontario, I drove through a squall on Oct. 31 that left me with the same visibility I had when I wore my K-Mart Optimus Prime mask on Halloween 30 years ago.

I've already broken out the winter jacket, which generates so much static electricity that I look like the people palming the orb in science-museum ads, until I touch something metal and my finger makes a 'snap!' so powerful that the lights dim for a second.

On top of it all, now that the clocks have changed I go to work in darkness and leave with just enough time for Mr. Sun to mock me before he disappears over the horizon, chuckling.

This winter can't possibly be as bad as last year's, can it?

The Farmer's Almanac, which has been making scientifically unsound predictions for so long it's OK for some reason,

says it will be another terrible winter.

But Environment Canada's Best Guess™ is that it will seem "tropical" compared to last year. (Ever notice how Canadians only use the words "tropical" and "balmy" when they're being sarcastic?)

The tying vote goes to my girlfriend, who has the same season-guessing credentials as either organization. Her verdict? It's going to be the Worst Winter Ever because she hails from Vancouver, which has never seen hail, let alone snow, and where "roughing it" involves going eight hours without steamed milk.

Her winter advice to everyone is, and I quote, "Never go outside." She likes to knit and has begun to build a yarn cocoon around herself, pledging not to leave the couch until it's butterfly weather.

With my Post-Traumatic Snow Disorder, I'll be taking a different tack. I hope to face it head-on, keeping just as active in the winter as I do in the summer. So, a lot of Netflix. Maybe Game of Thrones. You know why.

Now they just need names ...



Visitors take photos of the panda triplet cubs in the Chimelong Safari Park in Guangzhou in south China's Guangdong province Wednesday. Keepers responsible for looking after the world's only surviving set of giant panda triplets said the cubs were doing well, as they celebrated turning 100 days old on Wednesday. The triplets born at Chimelong are the fourth case of panda triplets ever recorded. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Against all odds, panda triplets make it to a hundred days

When this trio of giant pandas were born, vets said the chances of them all surviving were next to nothing — but the baby girl and her two brothers have defied predictions to reach 100 days old in perfect health.

Each one now weighs more than five kilograms (11 pounds),

up from just 0.1 kg (3-1/2 oz.) at birth, and have two small teeth after beginning teething at around 80 days old.

The cubs were born on July 29 within four hours of each other: the female cub first and then her brothers.

Physical exams show the cubs' health to be ideal, said Dong Guixin, general manager of Chimelong Safari Park in Guangzhou, capital of

south China's Guangdong province.

Starting Wednesday, the cubs will be displayed to visitors for limited times and are taking turns living with their mother for five-day cycles. All may live with her permanently if they continue to grow up healthy.

There have been four recorded instances of giant pandas giving birth to triplets in history, but in all of those other

You can help!

The park is seeking suggestions from the public on names for the pandas.

cases at least one in the litter has died due to physical defects or being too small.

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As viewed from afar, backcountry skiing looks like a passport to pristine environments and untouched powder. But if only it were just a little more, you know, dangerous. Thankfully, nature turns the lights off every night, and that means it's time to strap on some brightly coloured LED suits and a few GoPro cameras and hit the darkened slopes. (GoPro/YouTube)



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RE: Bank of Canada Governor Urges Jobless Young Canadians to Work for Free, published online Nov. 4, 2014

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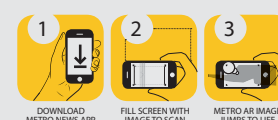


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Plenty of laughs in Halifax

Comedy events.
Mike MacDonald
and Kenny Vs. Spenny
hosting shows in
town this weekend



**BACKSTAGE
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We've thanked standup comedy for starting our most beloved comedians' careers — like those of Jerry Seinfeld, Jon Stewart and this Saturday night's Just For Laugh Comedy show host, Mike MacDonald.

With guidance from his "first subversive influence," Bugs Bunny, MacDonald earned the title of troublemaker in grade school.

"I mean you can't be a smartass banker, you can't be a smartass plumber so comedy was really a convenient thing for me," he said.

Starting his standup career in the late 1970s, Ottawa-born MacDonald said he invented his own open microphone nights from a collection of four Ottawa bars.

He routinely bet the owners \$50 he could walk on stage and make the audience laugh. With never more than a few bucks to his name, MacDonald was happy to be proven right and since then has become one of the most recognized standup comedians on the Canadian circuit.

"The thing I pride myself on is that when I'm on stage, I get to be the boss," said MacDonald.

Standup isn't for everyone. In fact, only a small percentage of standup comedians ever land a permanent gig that's steady enough to pay the bills.

It's a sentiment not lost on Toronto-born Spencer Rice, the Spenny of Showcase's comedic competition show Kenny vs. Spenny.

Now on tour with his brooding better half, and playing the Rebecca Cohn Friday night, Rice is happy to have made it off the standup stage alive.

"I did standup but never committed to it because such a tiny percentage of standup comedians make any money," Rice said. "So I pat myself on the back for even doing it. I loved it, but the life is pretty lonely. But I have nothing but respect for standup."

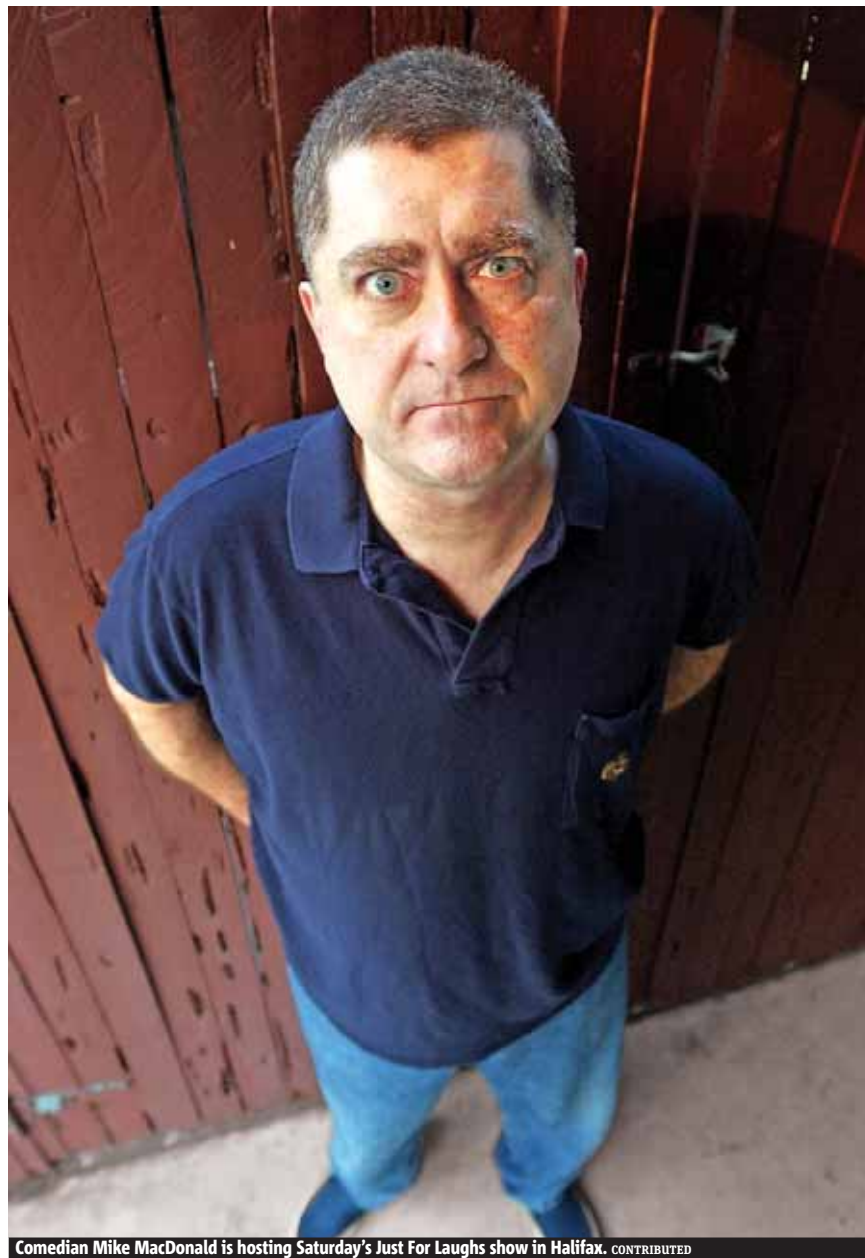
Rice, along with Kenny Hotz, created Kenny vs. Spenny after being told how entertaining the creative pairs' bickering seemed to be.

Picked up first by CBC for a number of episodes then embraced by the less-censored arms of Showcase, Rice can't believe the following the show continues to maintain. "We haven't produced a new show in over four years and now we're doing live touring so it's been quite a gift," he said.

Rolling with the punches from night to night, this unscripted, "Kenny bashes Spenny" live show is just that — a competition-inspired sketch comedy show that Rice hopes will give loyal fans an updated experience, and welcome new fans to join in on the laughs.

If you go...

- **Kenny vs Spenny: On The Road.** Friday, 8 p.m. Rebecca Cohn Auditorium. kvsontour.com
- **Just For Laughs Comedy Tour.** Saturday, 7 p.m. Rebecca Cohn Auditorium. comedytour.hahaha.com



Comedian Mike MacDonald is hosting Saturday's Just For Laughs show in Halifax. CONTRIBUTED

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Newsroom battled to be first, and right

Television. Jeff Daniels bids farewell to HBO's journalism drama

There were neither tears nor cheers at this premiere. That's partially because cast and crew of HBO's drama series *The Newsroom* had already moved on. They wrapped the finale weeks ago.

The party Tuesday night at the Directors Guild in Hollywood was simply to kick off the show's third and final season, which premieres this weekend, and to say, "Good show" to the series.

"The bittersweet part is the people," said actor Jeff Daniels, who portrays the star anchor of a cable-news network struggling with more than ratings. "This was a good group."

The *Newsroom* debuted in June 2012 to much fanfare

and strong ratings. But critics were mixed on the series, and fans began to tune out as the first season came to a close.

The second season earned generally stronger reviews, and its premiere saw ratings rebound — although it eventually became clear that the show would never become a blockbuster, such as *Six Feet Under*.

The network gave a green light to a truncated third and final season, which is not to be confused with a cancellation, executive producer Alan Poul said.

"If HBO had wanted to cancel us, they wouldn't have said, 'We want to cancel you, but we'll spend an extra \$40 to \$50 million for a final season before we let you go,'" he explained. "You don't spend the money for a season of television unless you want to make that season of television."

"And it was our choice. We

wanted to go out this way. And I think we're going out as strong as we've ever been."

Season 3 deals with dilemmas surrounding reporting on the Boston Marathon bombings.

Network brass face a possible hostile takeover. And one key character's career may be destroyed after a leak of classified government

documents.

Co-star Olivia Munn said the series has inspired a new crop of journalists.

It made viewers "really fascinated with the guy sitting behind the news desk and the girl writing that column," she noted. "So, I think that was really an exciting thing, and I think it was a great thing."

Daniels said spending

Show time

The third and final season of *The Newsroom* debuts Sunday on HBO.

three seasons walking in a reporter's shoes left him with a greater appreciation of the challenges facing journalists.

"The struggle these guys have between being right and being first — it's so difficult now with Twitter, with Facebook," he said.

"When news breaks, a lot of people go there instead of waiting for journalists to tell you what's really going on or what's true. And the real guys battle that every single day."

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Jeff Daniels stars as anchor Will McAvoy in *The Newsroom*. HBO

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"We wanted to go out this way. And I think we're going out as strong as we've ever been."

Alan Poul, executive producer of *The Newsroom*

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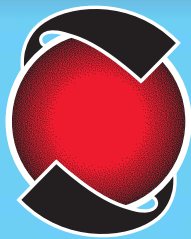
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If there were to be a Sopranos prequel...



David Chase says he's open to exploring the possibility of a *Sopranos* prequel, possibly featuring New Jersey in the late '60s and early '70s. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS FILE

Television. As series is released on Blu-ray, David Chase speculates what a few more episodes might just look like

Quoted

"But for all the reasons that I'm sitting here today, a lot of that has to do with Jim (Gandolfini) and his natural abilities and inclinations."

Sopranos creator David Chase, on the casting of Tony Soprano

reaction whatsoever.

So when that hit the media, it blew up. I tried to retain that attitude that we were just out there in Queens making the show and it didn't matter. ... After a while when it became very successful, you just start to go '... I'm going to do what I want.' Why not? How often does anyone get this opportunity, so use it. Some people would tell you, 'They went off on tangents.' I could have cared less about it.

Was Steven Van Zandt considered to play Tony Soprano?

Stevie was one of the people that read for it and that would have been a totally different show. Could have been a very good show, too, I think, but funnier and sillier. ... But for all the reasons that I'm sitting here today, a lot of that has to do with Jim (Gandolfini) and his natural abilities and inclinations.

Was there emphasis to treat the violence with shock value, you know, like Ralphie Cifaretto's head in a bowling bag?

A lot of it is like a ghastly joke. The things you're bringing up, the bowling ball bag, that's not shock-

ing, it's just ghastly and it's stupidly funny ... This was a mob war and it was idiotic the whole reason for it. And I know the other thing about it was that Tony was very happy when it came time to bury the head. And he was enjoying working that tractor, that bucket loader. That's what I liked best was the absurdity of all that. He was enjoying himself up there.

Did you know in advance the finale's black ending would create such a controversy?

Obviously you can't think about memory before it all happens. I'm really glad I had the creative freedom to do what I wanted to do. I wasn't even questioned about it by HBO.

Are series finales over-hyped?

Most of my TV career, and still happening now, shows ended because somebody got a phone call saying, 'You're cancelled,' and that was that. You had to write an ending and that never even occurred to people. It's over. ... On some level now, I feel this ending thing has been over-blown.

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How did you deal with the criticism that followed after the show's initial success?

The first season was made, completely shot — written, shot and edited before any of the public ever saw it, so it existed in this little time capsule of its own with no

Music

Spotify royalties overtake iTunes in Europe

It looks as if 2014 is going to be the year in which streaming overtakes digital music downloads.

For the first time, royalty payments from Spotify have topped those generated by Apple's iTunes music store in Europe.

In fact, according to Kobalt Music Publishing, which collects fees in Europe on behalf of almost 6,000 songwriters, including ex-Beatle Paul McCartney, during the first quarter of 2014 its artists earned 13 per cent more from Spotify than they did from iTunes downloads.

What makes the figure even more impressive is that, as recently as the third quarter of 2013, iTunes' royalty payments were 32 per cent higher than those of Spotify and, at the end of the year, those revenues were still 8 per cent higher. **AFP**

Streaming. Whole world's a stage for digital bard

To download or not to download, or perchance to stream.

That is the question a new digital project hopes to solve by making performances of Shakespeare's plays available to a global audience on demand for the first time.

In what it says is a world first, London's Globe Theatre has made more than 50 productions available to download as full-length high-definition films on its dedicated online platform.

Among the plays featured is a highly acclaimed produc-

tion of Twelfth Night, starring British actors Mark Rylance and Stephen Fry, as well as Roger Allam's award-winning performance in Henry IV, Parts 1 and 2.

The films are available to rent for \$7.25 or to buy for \$14.50 at GlobePlayer.tv.

"The Globe is always looking for bold new ways to take Shakespeare out into the world and share his astonishing plays with as many people as possible," said artistic director Dominic Dromgoole. **AFP**



Shakespeare productions from London's Globe Theatre are now online. **AFP**

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Harry Styles ALL PHOTOS: GETTY IMAGES

Styles knows what he wants in a humanoid

What does a girl need to be to win Harry Styles' heart? Not necessarily a girl, as it turns out. While taking some probing questions during an interview for On Demand Entertainment alongside fellow One Direction member Liam Payne, Styles got a bit playful. When asked what traits they look for in potential girlfriends, Payne joked, "Female, that's an important trait," to

which Styles quickly argued, "Not that important." So what does Styles really want to find in this hypothetical gender-less humanoid? A "sense of humour" and "being nice to people," as it turns out. Also, when asked what he "sucks at" — too easy — Styles offered a rather odd list of skateboarding, gymnastics, speaking and singing. Hey, you said it, buddy, not us.

The Word



Cumberbatch proclaims he's off the market — the old-time way



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I'm starting to worry that Benedict Cumberbatch doesn't understand how this whole being famous thing works. In an adorably old-fashioned and totally normal move, the *Imitation Game* star announced his engagement to actress Sophie Hunt-

er with a simple announcement in the Forthcoming Marriages section of London's the Times newspaper. "The engagement is announced between Benedict, son of Wanda and Timothy Cumberbatch of London, and Sophie, daughter of Katharine Hunter of Edinburgh and Charles Hunter of London," the posting reads. Very traditional, yes, but come on, Ben. You could've gotten a lot of mileage out of an exclusive. Of course, given the hysteria level of his female fans, it's understandable he'd want to downplay this. There could be a riot. Next, he'll announce on Craigslist he's been cast as Doctor Strange.

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That's a wrap!



Britney Spears

Baby, try to sell Britney's tickets one more time

Hey, you want to go see Britney Spears' show in Vegas? Because there are seats available. Like, a lot of them. Production staff are reportedly "scrambling" to fill seats after online ticket sales suggested that Spears' upcoming performances would be half-empty.

ty — although they probably explained it to her as half-full. "She said that there was no way in hell that she would perform to a half-empty theatre," a source tells Radar Online. Among the tactics they've been employing to fill out the space, my favourite has got to be "Britney Day," when anyone who shares the same first name as Spears gets a free ticket. But honestly, an entire theatre filled with women name Britney is kind of terrifying.



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1,000 poses, 1 supermodel: Modern beauty busts a move

Style. Canada's Coco Rocha offers *Study of Pose* in new book

Coco Rocha has graced the covers of countless fashion magazines and walked the runway for leading designers, but the Canadian supermodel dubbed "The Queen of Pose" faced a fresh test for her latest turn in front of the cameras.

The Toronto-born, Richmond, B.C.-raised Rocha teamed up with photographer Steven Sebring for the new book *Study of Pose* (Harper Design). In his introduction, Sebring wrote that his original concept was to capture 1,000 different expressive positions of one person, seeking to document "the fluid, ever-changing beauty of the ever-flexible human form."

The hefty tome features black-and-white images of Rocha clad in a leotard and tights, contorting her lithe frame in 1,000 unique poses.

Pictures of the home-grown beauty were captured by Sebring in his experimental 360-degree 'Rig,' which Rocha described as a darkened, dome-like room with 100 cameras. The photos were shot two years ago over the span of three days, with only

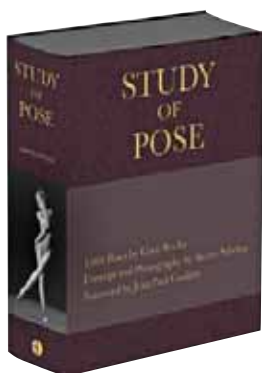


Coco Rocha, seen here in a photo from *Study of Pose*, was 14 when she was discovered by a modelling scout at an Irish dance competition in Vancouver.

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Sebring and Rocha's husband, James Conran, present.

As the woman who has been a muse to designers like French fashion legend Jean Paul Gaultier — who wrote the book's foreword



— Rocha admitted during the shooting of *Study of Pose* she needed a little inspiration herself at times to fan the creative flames.

"You try to kick out as many poses as you can. But then it gets to the point where you're

like: 'I don't know if I have anything else,'" Rocha said in a recent phone interview from New York.

"That's when I would have Steven and James ... call out these inspirations or people in history. So if it was art history to film noir to film to pop culture, there would be sort of references, and I would kind of go on a riff on them. So: 'What is Michael Jackson to me? What is Grace Kelly?'"

"Definitely, I did hit some roadblocks. But what's interesting is that people looking at this can probably see those moments where you're like: 'Oh, I think this is a little Marilyn Monroe' or: 'Yeah, I can see some Grace Jones in that.'"

Rather than tagging each



Rocha recently announced that she and her husband are expecting their first child next spring.

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Reach for the stars

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Coco Rocha
Supermodel and subject of *Study of Pose*

photo with a specific headline or name, Rocha said they opted instead to attach numbers to each image in hopes of having readers identify whom she was trying to pay homage

to or to channel in her poses.

In the foreword of *Study of Pose*, Gaultier recalled Rocha "effortlessly leaping through the air, moving my clothes in a way that brought them to life" during the presentation of his Celtic-themed ready-to-wear line in 2007.

"I definitely think dance helped in the sense that I don't overthink it, I don't get too frustrated with what I'm doing. Just have fun with it, enjoy it," said the 26-year-old.

"We're muses. We're supposed to inspire people. So the book also is to inspire what the body can do. If you really look through all of those photos, you can start to notice the body can do a lot of things."

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"Anyone in the world can be Parisian. It's all about the attitude," says Caroline de Maigret. PROVIDED

Une fashion sense française

Style. Caroline de Maigret's book unravels the 'je ne sais quoi' behind Parisian style.

"People praise the effortless-ness of French women, but they don't realize that it's actually an effort to look effortless," says Caroline de Maigret, glancing down at her black sweater, skinny Lee jeans and Stan Smith sneakers. Born an aristocrat, the 39-year-old has never exactly slumped it. Her new book, *How to Be Parisian Wherever You Are: Love, Style, and Bad Habits*, co-written by journalist Audrey Diwan, writer Anne Berest and movie producer Sophie Bas, could read as an ode to the privileged — but the style tome steers clear of preachiness, instead debunking myths in an ironic look at the lives of French women.

How did you come up with the idea to write this book? Every time I travel abroad, I'm asked about "La Paris-

ienne." So I would get a lot of questions, but I also realized that there were a lot of clichés around the Parisian lady, who has kind of been crowned the "ideal woman."

It's strange for me because "La Parisienne" is actually a lady who doesn't try to be anyone else or to reach perfection but learns how to deal with who she is and how to play with her flaws instead of fighting them.

So with my three friends, we decided to show that these women were everything but perfect.

Who do you think is the chicest Parisian woman?

Charlotte Rampling is unbelievably beautiful and incredibly chic. She is feminine with an androgynous edge and, most importantly, she is a bright woman. She might be British, but she is one of the most Parisian people ever — just like Jane Birkin or Romy Schneider, who were born abroad but epitomize Parisian style, which is precisely why we made this book. Anyone in the world can be Parisian. It's all about the attitude.

Naughty list



The subhead of the book is *Love, Style & Bad Habits*. What are your bad habits?

- My bad habits would be my contradictions such as eating a pizza and having a coffee sweetened with a Splenda. But I consider these bad habits good ones because they are the salt of life, which makes all of this a fun adventure.

Who is the chicest man?

I always say Keith Richards, but my man (French musician) Yarol Poupaud is probably the most stylish man I know. I steal all his clothes — he is the one who taught

me to have fun with my style.

Who is your favourite fashion designer?

Karl Lagerfeld. What I love about Karl is the way he sees women. He is always ahead of his time: He knows everything about fashion, literature and the arts in general. I think that fashion is linked to society, even if for me it's just a way to have fun, and he knows exactly how to transfer society to fashion, without ever forgetting to add in some humour.

Do you wear makeup?

Usually I wear brown mascara, because it makes my eyes look less severe and younger, and I switch to black at night. I'm a big fan of the Yves Saint Laurent Touche Eclat that I use to brighten the eyes, but also as a normal concealer. I put some NARS Sumatra Multiple on my cheeks, but I almost never wear foundation. Even though I don't wear a lot of makeup, I just designed a collection for Lancome, which will be released in September 2015.

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Canadian street style

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Age: 22

Occupation: Student

What she's wearing

New Balance shoes, American Apparel pants, coat and sunglasses from Urban Outfitters and a vintage shirt purchased in Kensington Market.

Her inspiration

"I look up to fashion icon Alexa Chung. I love her relaxed and messy style."

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Turn down the sound with decor

Concrete ceilings and floors transfer noise, and so do windows and hardwood flooring. Here are a few designer ideas that help stop unwanted sound from bouncing around



Upholstered headboard

For ultimate sound absorption, buy a king-sized padded headboard. It will help muffle sound and anchor your bed and end tables while giving big scale and proportion to a small- or average-sized room. Nexxt Luxe Headboard Panels, 18 inch square, \$100 for a set of 8, KitchenStuffPlus.com.



Carpeting

Wall-to-wall broadloom or a large room-sized area rug will help absorb sound and keep it from bouncing off concrete and wood floors. Liora Mad Plaid Carpet Squares, 18 inch square, \$20. CB2.com.



Draperies

Draperies not only help to deaden the sounds that bounce off glass, they also add a soft touch to hard walls. Look for draperies that have a thick lining or insulation built into the back. Whole Home Kingsley Foam-backed Grommet Drape Panels, from \$32, Sears.ca.

White noise machines

Tired of hearing your neighbours and roommates? Try a white noise machine to create a comfortable atmosphere so you can drift off to sleep. HoMedics SoundSpa Portable White Noise Machine, \$30, Well.ca.



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A necessity when all your roommates have their own televisions in their bedrooms. Friends Taylor Headphones, \$200, UrbanOutfitters.com.

More ways to enjoy the sound of silence

- Invest in solid-core interior doors for your place. They will help to reduce sound between hallways and rooms while giving a quality weight to the doors.
- Use big canvas art to absorb room sounds and create a barrier between large wall spaces.
- Hang decorative quilts or tapestries using a simple curtain rod. It's a great way to dress up a wall and add big impact.

Clamp legs bring something new to the table

DIY. Legs with built-in clamps can turn any surface material into an easily portable, one-of-a-kind table

Furnishing a home that will create a lasting impression can sometimes be difficult to accomplish without the right resources. It's not always easy to find time to browse countless home and furniture stores. With the help of clamp legs, customizing furniture has never been easier.

These innovative table legs are equipped with built-in clamps at the top of each leg. The four legs help support the weight of the surface material while the integrated clamps at the top of each leg help hold everything in place and give it stability. Clamp legs provide endless possibilities for creating personalized tables, stools, and benches.

What you need to know

Clamp legs are all about customizing and creating home furniture. They come in different sizes and a variety of colours to suit individual needs. With built-in clamps,



Assembling tables from salvaged materials is easy using legs with built-in clamps (inset). THE FLOYD LEG/KICKSTARTER

the legs' design makes assembling and disassembling furniture a quick and easy process.

A kitchen table built with clamp legs helps bypass the

hassle of getting an awkwardly shaped table into a home. The furniture is also easy to store and pack for those who move around a lot or need to create extra space.

Gathering materials

First, purchase and prepare the selected surface material. This way, matching the clamp legs to the surface becomes much easier. To select



Mix and match materials to make a glass table. THE FLOYD LEG/KICKSTARTER

More salvage ideas

Find out how to salvage other materials around the home with the season premiere of *Salvage Dawgs*, Tuesdays at 10 p.m. ET/PT on DIY Network Canada.

the surface material, visit a hardware store to purchase new sheets of wood that are ready to use or recycle old furniture. Use an old door, various pieces of a dresser, or even the table top of an old desk.

Don't be afraid to incorporate other materials such as plastic, glass, or an old countertop. Mix and match

pieces like an old door and a glass top to create an even surface.

Legwork

Give people something to talk about with the many furniture pieces that can be built with the help of clamp legs. One of their greatest benefits is the availability of different sizes. With longer clamp legs and some wood, build a table for the kitchen or the front entrance. Smaller clamp legs are great for a new bedside table or even a coffee table for the living room.

But don't stop there: Get creative and build a funky bench or stool perfect for any room.

Sup, dog? Reintroduce yourself to a memorable carnival fave

Holy Kobe Corn Dogs.

Missing summer? Relive it with these high-quality bites

"Street food and carnival food are kind of like cousins," writes Matt Basile in his book *Street Food Diaries*. "Things get fried. Things get put on sticks, and everything is about fun and flavour first. Corn dogs are the ambassador of this relationship."

"You'll need 10 wooden skewers for this. You can do this recipe with any hotdog, but if you can find Kobe beef dogs I highly recommend you use them. They are the tastiest hotdogs I have ever had, and the flavour just explodes when you bite into them."

Basile also advises, "You can take this recipe one step further by cooking some strips of bacon to the point where they are cooked but not too crispy to manipulate. Wrap the bacon tightly around the

Ingredients

- 1 cup (250 ml) yellow cornmeal
- 1 cup (250 ml) all-purpose flour
- 4 tsp (20 ml) baking powder
- 1/4 tsp (1 ml) kosher salt
- 1/4 tsp (1 ml) black pepper
- 1 egg
- 1 cup (250 ml) 2% milk
- 10 all-beef hot dogs
- 10 wooden skewers
- 1/2 cup (125 ml) yellow mustard
- 2 tbsp (30 ml) sambal oelek



This recipe serves six to 10. KYLA ZANARDI

dog and pierce each end of the bacon with the skewer to keep it in place. Batter it and fry it as below. (P.S. You're welcome!)"

1. First, make your batter. In a large bowl, combine the corn-

meal, flour, baking powder, salt, and pepper. Crack in the egg, add the milk, and then mix your batter thoroughly. Skewer the hotdogs with the wooden skewers, and dip them in the batter. Fry them, three at

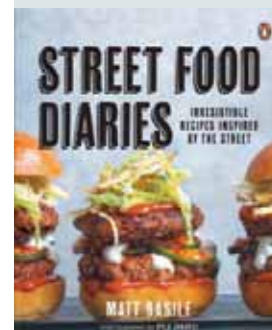
a time, in a pan (not a skillet) with 1/2 inch (1 cm) of canola oil heated to 350 F (180 C) for approximately 3 minutes on one side. Flip and do 3 minutes on the other side, then rest them on paper towel to soak up

the excess oil.

2. In a bowl, mix the mustard with the sambal. Now you have spicy sambal mustard that has the familiarity of the bright yellow mustard but with a bit of

Cookbook of the Week

From the street to your kitchen table



For years, Matt Basile has been serving up to-die-for street eats through his street food brand Fidel Gastro's. In his book *Street Food Diaries*, he shares more than 85 street-food recipes that are accompanied by mouth-watering photography and stories of street food culture.

If it's on a stick, in a bun or covered in bacon, it is in *Street Food Diaries*. Try making your own Buffalo Chicken Patty Melt, Creole Poutine, Pork Riblets, Tilapia Doubles, BBQ Brisket Breakfast Burrito and more. **METRO**

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This recipe serves four people. KYLA ZANARDI

Snack. Pad Thai Fries

1. Melt the butter in a pan over high heat. Stir in the Sriracha sauce and lemon juice. Turn down the heat to low, and cook for approximately 5 minutes, or until the sauce is a nice velvety, orange colour. Let the sauce cool and congeal so when you apply it to your fries it's more of a paste than a sauce.

2. Fry the fries in the deep-fryer with oil at 360 F (185 C) for 5 or 6 minutes, or until they're crispy and golden brown.

3. In a large bowl, toss the cooked fries in the sauce. This lets you coat the fries without making them soggy. Transfer

the coated fries to a serving dish, and top with bean sprouts, cilantro, and lime wedges. If you want to make it even more pad Thai-y, you can top it with crushed peanuts.

Ingredients

- 2 cups (500 ml) salted butter
- 3 cups (750 ml) Sriracha sauce
- 1 cup (250 ml) lemon juice (about 4 large lemons)
- 1 (1 lb/500 g) bag oven fries
- 1 cup (250 ml) bean sprouts
- 1 cup (250 ml) cilantro
- 4 limes
- 1/4 cup (60 ml) crushed peanuts

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Football

SMU's Delmas, Langa named to AUS all-star team

Despite a dismal last-place finish for Saint Mary's University's football team this season, two Huskies have been named to the Atlantic University Sport all-star team.

Second-year defensive end Matt Delmas of Bedford and third-year linebacker Jonathan Langa of Etobicoke, Ont., got the call Wednesday.

Delmas tied Jesse St. James of the Acadia Axemen for the AUS lead in sacks with eight, also tallying the most sack yards with 66.

Langa recorded 62 solo and 32 assisted tackles for 80 total, setting the AUS all-time record for the most tackles in a single season.

Delmas and Langa will both become finalists for the Canadian Interuniversity Sport football awards, to be announced Thursday.

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Jonathan Langa, left, and Matt Delmas COURTESY SMUHUSKIES.CA

Prime-time TV

Moose Country to be in national spotlight

The Mooseheads will be featured on national television twice in the new year.

Sportsnet and the Canadian Hockey League announced Wednesday details of their new 12-year partnership, which features 50 games to be aired live across the country this season, including two matchups out of Halifax in February.

The Moose host the Shawinigan Cataractes on Feb. 13 and then welcome the Cape Breton Screaming Eagles on Feb. 14.

Sportsnet will broadcast the double-header out of the Scotiabank Centre.

The Sportsnet schedule also includes the Subway Super Series, taking place Nov. 10-20, the BMO CHL/NHL Top Prospects Game on Jan. 22 and the MasterCard Memorial Cup, set for May 21-31 in Quebec City.

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Rivals aim to dethrone Huskies for AUS titles

University basketball.

Saint Mary's teams set to kick off defence of championships



KRISTEN LIPSCOMBE

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It's almost tip-off time.

Even though the Atlantic University Sport basketball season hasn't started yet, all four Halifax teams have their eyes firmly set on the ultimate prize: a conference title.

"Everybody's goal is to, first and foremost, win the conference championship," Dalhousie Tigers men's head coach Rick Plato said Wednesday. "I think the league this year is going to be extremely competitive."

The Tigers just missed out on the playoffs last year, but Plato believes his young squad, including eight rookies, is energetic enough to make a serious run for the post-season.

"We'd like to think we have a good opportunity to win it," said the well-known local teacher and coach, who after 25 years with the Mount Saint Vincent University Mystics of the Atlantic Collegiate Athletic Association took over Dalhousie's reins to start last season.

The Tigers garnered six wins and three losses in pre-season action, including solidly beating Plato's former Mystics 81-58 in mid-October.

"We've got a really good mix of veteran leadership," Plato said, adding he'll look to co-captains Ritchie Kanza Mata, a third-year point guard from Toronto, and Devon Stedman, a six-foot-eight post from Ottawa, to lead by example as the Tigers challenge the defending AUS champions, the Saint Mary's Huskies.

"And a really impactful re-



Saint Mary's University men's basketball head coach Jonah Taussig hopes to lead his team to a second straight Atlantic University Sport title this season. JEFF HARPER/METRO

Games this weekend

- The Huskies will start enacting their plan with their first regular-season game this Saturday, when they host the X-Women at 6 p.m. The Dalhousie Tigers welcome the UPEI Panthers at 6 p.m. Friday with a rematch Saturday at the same time.
- On the men's side, the Tigers also host a double-header against the Panthers, with Game 1 at 8 p.m. on Friday and Game 2 at the same time Saturday. The Huskies host the X-Men at 8 p.m. Saturday.

cruiting class," he said, pointing to local addition Maurice Colley, a six-foot-two guard from Dartmouth. "I like our chances of making some noise this year."

But the Huskies will be hard to beat.

Saint Mary's topped the St. Francis Xavier X-Men 81-72 in last year's AUS final, advancing

to the CIS Final 8, where they fell 72-62 in the quarter-finals to the University of Alberta Golden Bears.

The female Tigers are in just as tough against their cross-town rivals.

The Huskies defeated the St. Francis Xavier X-Women 76-63 last March for AUS bragging rights, after knocking the

Tigers out 73-53 in the semis. Saint Mary's advanced to the CIS championship final, ultimately dropping a 71-45 decision to the University of Windsor Lancers.

"Our goals are ... hopefully have an opportunity to be playing our best basketball in March," Huskies women's head coach Scott Munro said Wednesday, "and have a chance to defend our AUS championship and win a national championship."

Munro admitted his team looks different this year, with the loss of two-time CIS MVP Justine Colley of East Preston expected to have a big impact on the court.

"But the plan is the same," Munro said. "To come out and compete every night and try to get better every day."

Saulnier scores first international goal

Halifax's own Jillian Saulnier scored her first goal wearing the maple leaf with the Canadian women's hockey team on Tuesday night.

The rookie forward scored the first of two goals en route to a 2-0 win over Sweden in what was Team Canada's first game at this week's Four Nations Cup in Kamloops, B.C.

She found the back of the net at 7:22 in the opening frame, on assists from Jenelle Kohanchuk of Winnipeg and Lauriane Rougeau of Beaconsfield, Que. Jamie Lee Rattray of Kanata, Ont., notched the other Canadian marker early in the second period at the Interior Savings Centre.

Goaltender Emerance

Maschmeyer of Bruderheim, Alta., made 12 saves for the shutout.

Canada was back on the ice Wednesday to face off against longtime rivals the United States on Day 2 of preliminary action. Thursday is scheduled as a day off, while round-robin action finishes Friday and medal games are set for Saturday. METRO



Jillian Saulnier of Halifax
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Messi ties Raul's record in win over Ajax

Lionel Messi celebrates with his teammates after scoring his second goal against Ajax in Amsterdam on Wednesday to tie the Champions League record of 71 career goals in Barcelona's 2-0 win. Scan the image with your Metro News app for a round up of Wednesday's action from around Europe. EMMANUEL DUNAND/AFP/GETTY IMAGES



NBA. Raps' stars shine late in win in Boston

Kyle Lowry scored 35 points and had a key steal in the closing minute to lead the Toronto Raptors to a 110-107 win over the Boston Celtics on Wednesday night.

DeMar DeRozan had 23 points and Patrick Patterson added 14 for the Raptors.

Rajon Rondo led Boston with a triple-double of 13 points, 15 assists and 10 rebounds. Jeff Green had 20 points for the Celtics, who have lost three straight.

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DeMar DeRozan slams home two points late in the Raptors' 110-107 win in Boston on Wednesday night. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

NHL

Pens sign Fleury up for four more years of service

Marc-Andre Fleury isn't going anywhere.

The Pittsburgh Penguins signed the franchise's all-time winningest goaltender to a four-year contract extension on Wednesday worth \$23 million.

The new deal, which begins next year, runs through the 2018-19 season.

"Just nice to get it over with, not think about it anymore and just go play some hockey and try to win some games," Fleury said. "Just focus on hockey and not anything else."

The 29-year-old Fleury was in the final season of a seven-year contract he signed in 2008.

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Mr. Hockey

Howe skating quickly down road to recovery: Family

Gordie Howe's family says the Hall of Famer is recovering from the stroke he suffered last month quicker than expected.

"The Howe family is pleased to report that over the past week Mr. Hockey has been recovering at a remarkable rate, including his speech, and his ability to walk with the assistance of a walker," read a Howe family statement released Tuesday.

"Our father has been truly moved by the countless phone calls, letters, emails, posts, and the Red Wings 'Get Well' gesture during the Oct. 31 game."

The Red Wings great, 86, also suffers from a form of dementia. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Canadian Zaidi lands top job with Dodgers

MLB. Sudbury native to take dream job, will become league's first ever Muslim GM

While finishing his doctorate in economics at UC Berkeley, Farhan Zaidi daydreamed about working in Major League Baseball. Eating lunch at his desk, he would browse the web searching for front-office job postings.

Born in Sudbury but raised primarily in the Philippines, Zaidi had been obsessed with baseball ever since he was a kid: playing little league in Manila, poring over Bill James' Baseball Abstracts and collecting O-Pee-Chee cards on summer trips to Canada.

But as a number-crunching graduate student, a job in baseball was just a fantasy.

Now, just over a decade later, Zaidi has landed one of the most prestigious gigs in the game. The 37-year-old, who spent the past 10 years in the Oakland A's front office, will be named general manager of the L.A. Dodgers later this week.

Zaidi, who is of Pakistani descent, will become the first Muslim GM in MLB history, and just the sixth Canadian.

During his daydreaming days, Zaidi actually applied to work for the Blue Jays — and the A's and Dodgers — on a whim after reading Moneyball, Michael Lewis's book about Oakland GM, Billy Beane. J.P. Ricciardi, who was Beane's assistant GM in the book was at the Jays' GM helm at the time.

"Basically I targeted people in the book," Zaidi told the Torstar News Service earlier this



Farhan Zaidi, seen here talking to Oakland A's defensive co-ordinator Juan Navarrete will be named GM of the Los Angeles Dodgers later this week. Born in Sudbury, Zaidi will become MLB's first ever Muslim GM. MICHAEL ZAGARIS/TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

High expectations

Zaidi inherits a team in the Dodgers that boasts the highest payroll in the league and several marquee players, but one that hasn't won a World Series in more than a quarter century.

year. "I thought one of them might find me to be a possible candidate." He never heard back from any of them.

Zaidi kept trying and was eventually hired by the A's as an analyst in 2005, quickly becoming one of Beane's most-trusted deputies. He became as-

sistant GM last season.

Praising both his "qualitative" and "creative mind," Beane once said of Zaidi: "I'm more worried about losing him to Apple or Google than I am to another team."

Zaidi's parents met and were married in Pakistan, but his father went to college in England and in 1968 took a job as an engineer with Inco, the mining company in Sudbury. They moved to Manila before Zaidi's fourth birthday.

After getting his bachelor in economics from MIT, he worked in management consulting and for a fantasy sports company before doing his PhD at Berkeley.

Initially drawn to the game, by playing, Zaidi grew fascinated with the game's analytical side and became interested in the nuances of scouting and player development.

Numbers aside, what Zaidi likes most about working in baseball is the chance to win, something he will be under great pressure to do in L.A.

"There's no feeling like when you're watching the end of the game with people you work with and you pull a victory out of nowhere and everybody's going bonkers," he said back in May, while still with the A's. "That's still as exhilarating as it gets for me."

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A-Rod admitted PED use to DEA, lawyer says

A lawyer for the University of Miami's former pitching coach said Wednesday that Alex Rodriguez admitted to federal investigators he used steroids supplied by the owner of a now-closed South Florida clinic.

Attorney Frank Quintero Jr., who represents Lazaro "Laser" Collazo in his defence against charges of conspiracy to distribute performance-enhancing

drugs, told The Associated Press that the New York Yankees third baseman confessed to steroids use, according to Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) documents provided by the government to defence lawyers.

The Miami Herald first reported Rodriguez's admission Wednesday, saying he met with DEA agents on Jan. 29 at the agency's South Florida field of-

fice. Given a grant of immunity from prosecution, Rodriguez told investigators he did use banned substances between late 2010 and October 2012 supplied by Anthony Bosch, who owned the Biogenesis of America clinic in Coral Gables.

Rodriguez has publicly denied any use of banned substances during his time with the Yankees, which began in 2004.

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Horoscopes by Sally Brompton

♈ Aries

March 21 - April 20

Don't be impulsive or you could end up paying out a lot more than you can afford. A "one time offer" is nothing of the sort. The safest place for your money today is in your pocket.

♉ Taurus

April 21 - May 21

It would be a mistake to place your faith in what others believe rather than what your instincts tell you is true. Do only what feels right to you.

♊ Gemini

May 22 - June 21

Why are you so determined to make an issue out of something that is of no real significance? Maybe you need an excuse for a confrontation. If so, watch out. Today's full moon could bring a few surprises.

♋ Cancer

June 22 - July 23

Don't get too involved in what others are doing. Your life is changing so rapidly at the moment that it would be a mistake to tie yourself down.

♌ Leo

July 24 - Aug. 23

If you find yourself under attack from a friend today, ask yourself why they are so angry with you. Have you failed to live up to your side of a bargain? If so, apologize and make amends.

♍ Virgo

Aug. 24 - Sept. 23

Gossip may be fun but it won't do much for your rep if others get the impression that you are muddying waters for no reason.

♎ Libra

Sept. 24 - Oct. 23

You are always ready to help others but that does not mean they should take your good nature for granted. Start getting tough with those who are using you for their own ends.

♏ Scorpio

Oct. 24 - Nov. 22

Today's full moon in your opposite sign suggests that a relationship is going through a bumpy phase. Don't give up on it. In a few days you will realize how trivial your differences are.

♐ Sagittarius

Nov. 23 - Dec. 21

You are in one of your winning moods but the vital thing is that you win with style. Your personality demands not only that you take first place but that you take it with a smile.

♑ Capricorn

Dec. 22 - Jan. 20

If you try to accommodate every opinion over the next 24 hours, you will alienate everyone. First impressions are the most reliable, so go with your instincts and back those whose outlook you feel an affinity for.

♒ Aquarius

Jan. 21 - Feb. 19

Make sure you have all the facts about a certain situation before making a decision that could affect your career path.

♓ Pisces

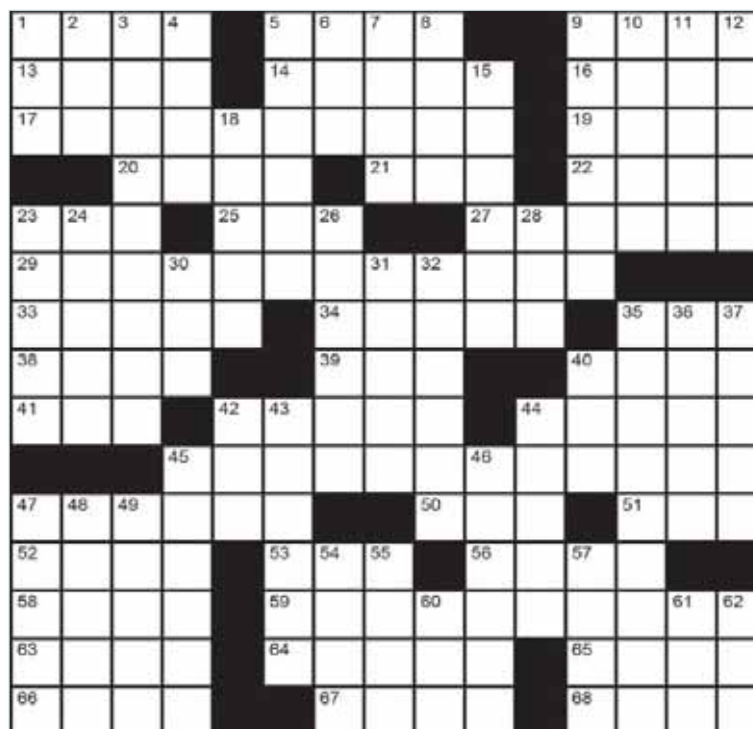
Feb. 20 - March 20

Today's full moon indicates that you are torn between opposing options. Toss a coin if you have to choose a path and stick to it.

Crossword: Canada Across and Down by Kelly Ann Buchanan

Across

1. Abundant
5. Ancient's 602
9. Celebration
13. "Thanks ___!" (Tonnes of appreciation!)
14. Shania Twain's "(If You're Not in It for Love) I'm ___ Here!"
16. Washstand vessel
17. Archaeological undertakings: 2 wds.
19. Stead
20. Devil's domain
21. Musical note
22. Dynamites
23. 'Deterior' suffix
25. The Raven poet's monogram
27. Martin Short comedy, "Three ___!" (1986)
29. Guinness publishes them: 2 wds.
33. Fragrant flavouring
34. "Funkytown" by __, Inc.
35. ___ Boys (1886 Louisa May Alcott book)
38. Do some garden-
39. Head topper
40. Purge
41. Many mins.
42. Video game pioneer
44. Celebrity chef Mr. Oliver
45. Group of Seven artist, ___-d.1932)



47. ___ Murad (Fashion designer)
50. Lay grass
51. Function
52. Oomph
53. 'Fluor' suffix
56. TV producer Norman
58. Microscope piece
59. Award-winning

- comedy series on TMN and Movie Central starring Jason Priestley: 3 wds.
63. Frankie Avalon's "___ Dinah"
64. Madonna movie
65. Hurt
66. Formal org.
67. Wool

68. Actress Nikki

Down

1. WWII fliers
2. Point-of-view
3. ___ and Oceans Canada (Federal department)
4. Additional
5. Loonie
6. 'Gum' for a cow
7. Medical-style suffix
8. Luba's "Let ___"
9. One of the 3 Chefs on "Cityline", Randy
10. "Dallas" family
11. Manage: 2 wds.
12. Architectural framework

15. "I just got ___ pain in my gut!"
18. L' ___ Montreal
23. Flooded
24. Skincare product
26. Denzel Washington/John Travolta movie, "The Taking of ___ 1 2 3" (2009)
28. Physicians, puny-ly
30. '60s hallucinogen
31. "Oh" by ___ featuring Ludacris
32. Light science
35. "Poison Heart" singer/songwriter from Victoria, BC: ___
36. Trompe l' ___ (Visual illusions)
37. Chef on "The Muppet Show", for one
40. California city, ___ Bernardino
42. Some vowels
43. Three times
44. Country singer Ms. Messina: 2 wds.
45. Village in south-central Saskatchewan
46. Sleeve style
47. Nintendo's The Legend of ___
48. "___ Gold" (1997)
49. Gives
54. History's Mr. Crockett
55. Mr. Kazan
57. Outlying
60. B, Z or M, e.g.
61. Tea: French
62. Alphabet's ender in Canada

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Yesterday's Sudoku

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